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'Cats and Kittens
cross country

Burns elected Fros president

by Kim Potts

Brad Burns narrowly defeated Chris Robinson and C.B. Tony for freshman president after elections that were held on Tuesday, Sept. 20.

Burns received 101 votes that assured him of the presidency. On that same ballot, Ilse Straub and Pete Gose were elected as freshmen senators.

Burns, a sports medicine/physical education major from Kansas City, Missouri, said that he is enthusiastic about the coming year and hopes to accomplish many of his ideas.

"I want to make the freshmen class the best ever on the Northwest campus, so that everyone will want to come back in the fall next year," Burns said.

Burns is also concerned with getting everyone involved in different organizations on campus.

"I believe that everyone should get involved in campus activities because it is the people who make up the campus," Burns said. "It also gives an individual the opportunity to meet more people."

Some of Burns' interests in campus affairs include improving the parking problem and more nutritious and a better variety of food.

The two freshmen senators, Straub and Gose, said that they are anxious to get started on their new duties.

Gose, a Maryville resident, said that he is eager to work with the freshmen class in expressing their ideas to the Senate.



The freshmen election held Tuesday gave first-year students a chance to choose a class president. Nearly 200 votes were cast, with Brad Burns declared the winner. (Missourian Photo/Karla Miller)

"I would like to take this opportunity to help people and want the freshmen to know they have a place to turn with any ideas or problems," Gose said.

Gose works in the Admissions office and is interested in being on the Senate Academic Affairs committee.

Straub, a pre-law major from Kansas City, Missouri, is also interested

in working on the Academic Affairs Committee with Gose.

"I'm really excited about working with Brad and Pete in introducing any ideas the students may have," Straub said. "I want to serve the students the best way possible."

Roxanna Swaney, president of the Student Senate, commented about

the election in the Senate meeting Tuesday.

"This was a real good race," Swaney said. "This was a lot better turnout than we've had in previous years."

Approximately 180 freshmen voted, or ten percent of the class, in the elections. This figure was up from last year's tally of an estimated 100 people.

Parking changes made over summer

by Teresa Schulke

Some changes have been made over the summer in the campus parking facilities.

The parking lot in front of South Complex is no longer all staff. Visitor's parking was added to the South Complex half of the area, July 1.

"Half of the lot is now visitor's parking for their convenience in entering the Student Union and other buildings," said Wilbur L. Adams, director of campus safety.

The lot in front of South Complex isn't the only change in parking. All the parking meters have been taken out.

"Most of them weren't working," Adams said. What was double parallel parking in back of Hudson Hall last year is now a fire lane this year.

Adams said, "Some people aren't happy about it, but it's for their own safety."

With all the changes in parking, where can a student park? Students can park in any area designated as a resident lot. Adams said there are resident lots by each dorm and behind the Wells Library. A student can park in a staff lot 5 p.m. and 7 a.m. Any student parked there before or after that time can receive a ticket.

"A gravel resident lot by the water tower and one by the baseball diamond have been added in the last two years," Adams said.

Commuters have lots behind Garret-Strong, the Communication building, the agriculture building, and the Fine Arts building.

Staff parking is spaced so instructors can get to different buildings.

"Parking in lots that they shouldn't is the most common traffic violation students commit," Adams said.

An estimated 1,800 tickets have been issued since the first day of school. Drivers had until Sept. 15 to get new stickers and remove the old ones. There is a \$15 fine for failure to display a parking permit and a \$5 fine for failure to remove an expired permit or improper placement of the permit. Permits are to be displayed in the lower right-hand corner of the rear window.

Another common violation is someone parking in a handicapped space. "If there is no handicap display on the car, we will tow or ticket that car. More likely tow it," said Adams.

Cars are towed at the owner's expense and taken to Walker's Body Shop.

Campus Safety is on patrol 24 hours a day. When they ticket, the date, location (which lot), time the ticket was issued, the driver's license number, state, make, model, color, year, license plate number, and state of the car and the sticker number are recorded. This information along with the violation are entered into a computer. After the third ticket, the car is towed. After the fifth ticket in one semester or the eighth in one year, the parking permit is revoked.

"If the vehicle is caught on campus again, it will be towed," Adams said.

"If a student doesn't pay the fine, we send it to the business office and they bill them," he added. "If the bill is not paid, then grades are held until it is."

A student who thinks he is innocent of the violation has the right to appeal. An appeal form must be filled out. A traffic court, made up of two students, staff and faculty members, meets every Thursday at 3 p.m. to review the appeals. The student may or may not be present.

Regents urges state to release \$250 million

by Deb Eatock

Northwest's Board of Regents unanimously passed a resolution urging the Missouri Legislature to release \$250 million in state bonds to improve state facilities and the state's economy. NWMSU would receive \$1.5 million for maintenance and repair of campus buildings if the bonds are released, said University President B.D. Owens.

Although Missouri voters passed a \$60 million bond proposal, Constitutional Amendment 1, in June of 1982, so far the Legislature has released only \$75 million. It will meet next month in a special session called by Gov. Christopher Bond to consider issuing \$250 million more in bonds.

Owens said the condition of campus buildings could become serious. "If it (the bond release) doesn't pass we won't be able to maintain campus buildings. We have no maintenance and repair monies in the operations budget this year; for the past two or three years we haven't had them."

He added that one campus building has a ratio of 19 gallons of water coming through a leak in the roof for every inch of rain.

In response to Owens' comments, Ted Robinson, a Regent from Maryville said, "I take great issue with the statement that if we don't get the money, we won't fix buildings. That's our number one priority. I still think part of our job is to allocate the funds the state gives us

where they are needed the most. We can't let our fixed assets go downhill."

Leigh Wilson, also from Maryville said, "I think we should encourage the Legislature to get out of the way and let it happen."

In other Board matters, President Owens said that unofficially this year's enrollment is up 2.2 percent from the same time last year. As of the Board's meeting, 5,272 students had enrolled at Northwest compared to 5,160 in the fall semester of 1982.

Housing contracts for this year are down slightly, Owens said, but added that this was a help to the university because students are not crowded into temporary housing like last fall. In contrast, food contracts are up 11.6 percent from last year Owens said.

"The typical enrollment projection across the country is that undergraduate enrollment will go down. The fact that ours is up is attributable to our academic program improvements and an excellent faculty," Owens said.

He added that other regional universities appear to have about the same enrollment as last year or less.

The Regents also gave the administration the authority to borrow money from various university accounts or from outside sources, with approval from the Board of Regents.

This move was prompted by a deferment of \$495,000 in state appropriations which the school will

not receive until late next spring, Owens said. Under the bonds issued for the construction of the Student Union and the residence halls, Owens said the school was supposed to build up a reserve debt service fund to finance repair and maintenance around campus. The university has been borrowing from this reserve fund and has no other source of money to meet repair expenses.

The Board also voted to discontinue the policy of supplementing some of the university's retirement programs, effective immediately. Owens said the Business Office had recommended the move after deciding all of the school's retirement programs had matured sufficiently to provide for all employees without a supplement.

The Regents also approved an appeal procedure for grievances as submitted by the Support Staff Council. Owens said that in the past there was no written procedure to follow when grievances were filed. While the findings do not bind the university, they could shift the burden of proof in a lawsuit onto the university, said the school's attorney, Norris Greer.

"I'm delighted to see the start of a procedure like this, which we haven't had before," said Owens.

The support staff consists of maintenance, custodial and secretarial employees.

Reorganization of the College of Education was also passed by the Board members. It will be divided in-

to four departments: the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, headed by Richard New; the Department of Administration and Guidance, headed by Dr. Stanley Wade; the Department of Psychology and Sociology, chaired by Gus Rischer; and the Department of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, headed by Dr. James Herauf. Along with this, the Regents gave their approval to several course dele-

tions, additions or title changes. Associate Dean of Faculties Dr. Peter Jackson said the courses were combined with other ones or were under different names before and didn't resemble any serious curriculum changes.

The retirements of Dr. Wanda Walker, professor of psychology and Dr. Roy Sanders, associate professor of secondary education, were also approved.



Students had the opportunity to meet with the Board of Regents, faculty and staff at a reception in the Student Union Wednesday afternoon. President B.D. Owens discusses the University with two students. (Missourian Photo/Karla Miller)

Greek rush ends with 62 pledging fraternities

When it was all over, 62 men had joined. It wasn't the armed services or the Moonies, but an annual, beginning-of-the-semester-ritual called "Fraternity Rush."

The seven fraternities issued bids on Monday, Sept. 19, to prospective pledges. This is the formal end to three weeks of rush functions.

The three weeks of constant social functions are called rush because it is the fraternities' way of "rushing" to get to know the rushees and the rushees' opportunity to explore the fraternal underworld.

During the first week of school, future frat followers sign up on the rush list and pay a \$3 fee. The fraternities then invite the men to their parties. After the three weeks, the fraternities send out bids (invitations to join that organization) to the rushees.

When a rushee accepts the bid, he then goes through a formal ceremony and becomes a pledge.

Here is the breakdown on how many new pledges each fraternity received: Alpha Kappa Lambda, 13; Sigma Phi Epsilon, 13; Tau Kappa Epsilon, 11; Delta Chi, 10; Delta Sigma Phi, 7; Phi Sigma Epsilon, 4; and Sigma Tau Gamma, 4.

Ron DiBlasi, rush chairman for Alpha Kappa Lambda, said that the house set a goal of obtaining 10-15 new pledges for the fall.

"We didn't want to get below ten," DiBlasi said. "We are very pleased to get 13. Anytime a fraternity gets more than ten pledges in the fall it is quite a bit."

DiBlasi said that his job was made easier this year through the work of the other members in the house and

the AKL's little sisters.

"It was a team effort. I couldn't possibly do all that myself," DiBlasi said. "Everyone in the house worked hard in those three weeks."

One of the biggest issues that surrounds rush is the question of three weeks really being enough for the guys to make up their minds.

"The three weeks is sufficient," said Mike Raplinger, rush chairman for Sigma Phi Epsilon. "Fall is our better rush period," he added.

"The short rush period helps the rushees by cutting down their indecisiveness. It hurts us because we do not have that much time to visit with all the rushees and to get to know them," said Jim Barker, rush chairman for Phi Sigma Epsilon.

Marty Marsh, a new Delta Sigma Phi pledge, said, "I think rush is long

enough. People normally know what fraternity they want to go into because of their friends being in it."

"Rush might be a week longer. The time went by fast. It's not enough time to go to the different fraternity parties and get a different view," said Kurt Jackson, who rushed this year.

There are split opinions about the effectiveness of the sign up list for rush.

"The extended sign up helped us a great deal," said Raplinger.

Barker doesn't feel that the sign-up is working out all that great. "I think it tends to encourage the professional rushees."

Jackson said sign up should be longer. "People coming back to school, getting caught up in school, didn't get over to sign up. If they

don't make it, they're out of luck."

A lot of rushees felt the sign-up information should be advertised a little more.

"A lot of people didn't know about it," said Robert Staashelm, a Delta Sigma Phi pledge.

Many rushees felt a three week stint is long enough since first semester freshmen can't pledge. Freshmen can rush their first semester and by their second they usually know which fraternity they will pledge.

Since university policy allows first semester freshmen to rush, but prohibits them from pledging, Raplinger would like to see that rule changed.

"Northwest is the only college that I'm aware of that doesn't allow the pledging of first semester freshmen."

Former NWMSU student dies

Rich Hansen a former Northwest Missouri State University student, died on Sunday, Sept. 18.

Hansen, who had leukemia, was hospitalized after he suffered a stroke about a month ago. Before that Hansen had just gotten over two bouts of pneumonia.

Hansen was a member of the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. John Gray, a graduate assistant at Northwest who was in the fraternity at the same time Hansen was, said that Hansen was always full of life and energy.

"He was always up to something," Gray said. "He always had a good time no matter what he did."

Gray said that Hansen devoted a lot of time and effort to the fraternity, however, the fraternity always came in second behind his wife and child.

"He knew what his responsibilities were and always made sure he met them," Gray said.

Gray also said that Hansen would always find the time to talk or lend out a helping hand.

"Anytime, anywhere, anything you wanted done, Rich would be there. A lot of times, he would just listen to people when they needed someone to talk to," he said.

Hansen is survived by his wife Beth and three daughters, ages 10, 8 and 3. Hansen was 27 years-old.

Big changes for yearbook

There are going to be some big changes made in this year's 1984 NWMSU Tower yearbook, says Laura Widmer, Tower advisor. This will be the first year the Tower will be re-sold by taking orders this fall, she said. Also new this year will be appointments for "mug shots" for students. Inside, the Tower will be "new and improved," she said, "with more student coverage, and top-notch copy, photos and lay-out."

This is the first year the Tower will be pre-sold, and yearbooks can be ordered only during the next two weeks. "We are only ordering 2,200 copies," she said, "and there are

around 5,000 students, so that means only one out of two students will be able to get a copy."

Dates for ordering the Tower will be Sept. 19 through 23 and Sept. 26 through 30. Times will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the information desk at the Student Union and from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Taylor Commons cafeteria.

"We will be doing three things at once," said Widmer. "In addition to taking orders for the 1984 Tower, we will be making appointments for mug shots for the yearbook. We will also be selling the 1983 Tower."

Appointments for mug shots should make it easier for students to

avoid long lines, said Widmer.

"We encourage you to get an appointment to get your pictures taken," said Widmer. If you cannot make an appointment or need help scheduling one, contact the Tower office at Ext. 1225 or Laura Widmer, Ext. 1365.

Pictures will be taken Oct. 3-7 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Hawkins Hall, one of the four Quads by the library.

Widmer is enthusiastic about the new Tower staff. "Right now we have a staff of over thirty people who are ready to put out a quality book," she said.

The 1984 Tower will come out in April so students will be able to pick them up before the end of the semester. The cost will be \$6.00, and it will contain over 300 pages with photo spreads in color and black and white.

Free tutoring program: Students helping students

Northwest Missouri State University will offer a free tutorial program this year as it has for the past five years. Students who need help with their studies are tutored by graduate students.

Dr. Peter Jackson, coordinator of the tutorial program, said, "The program's purpose is to assist undergraduate students who are experiencing academic difficulties within the general study courses. It attempts to work with students that need help."

The program was originally started to reach a higher retention rate. Most first and second year students fail in general studies.

Tutors must have an undergraduate degree and an interest in helping people. Graduate students instruct only their strongest subjects. Tutors are available for the regular school year.

The free service assists 50-100 students a semester.

"Those students who participate consistently do benefit from it. Most will raise their grade one letter," said Martha Cooper, director of special programs. Cooper said most students need help in English composition, math, biology and chemistry.

The tutorial program is available to everyone including graduate students. If you need help with a subject, studying skills, content reading, or writing a paper, there are a number of ways to become involved with the program. You can talk to your advisor, obtain a tutorial form from any of the major bulletin boards around campus or the academic departments. Fill out the form and return it to the department.

For more information about the tutorial program, call Dr. Peter Jackson, ext. 1122; or Mrs. Martha Cooper, ext. 1147.

Around the Tower

HOMEcoming AUDITIONS: Tryouts for oleo and Em Cee positions in the 1983 Homecoming Variety Show will be held in the Horace Mann Auditorium Monday, from 5-7 p.m. and Tuesday from 7-9 p.m.

ACCOUNTING SOCIETY: Will meet Sept. 29 at 6 p.m. in room 228 of Colden Hall. At 7 p.m. guest speaker Jerry Noble of Becker CPA Review will address the group on "How to Prepare for the CPA Exam." Refreshments will be served between the meeting and the presentation.

COLLEGE COMEDIAN: Bill Alexander, comedian, will present "Is There Life After College?" Sept.

Rep theater presents comedy

The Importance of Being Earnest, a spoof of British high society, will be presented by the Missouri Repertory Theatre Thursday, Sept. 29 at 8 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater.

Sponsored by the University's Performing Arts Series, the presentation is made possible by assistance from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Missouri Arts Council, the Mid-America Arts Alliance, the Texas Regional Exchange Office, and the University of Missouri-Kansas City.



Cecily (Melinda McCrary) tells her disapproving governess Miss Prism (Lynna Jackson) why she prefers writing in her diary to her German lesson in this scene from the Missouri Repertory Theatre Tour production of Oscar Wilde's classic comedy, *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

29 in an event sponsored by CAPS. For more information, contact Patty Linek, 582-7767.

THEATER PRODUCTION: The Missouri Repertory Theatre group will present Oscar Wilde's comedy "The Importance of Being Earnest" on the NWMSU campus Sept. 29 at 8 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater.

PARENTS WEEKEND: Annual Parents Weekend activities will be held on campus the weekend of Oct. 1. There will be an assembly in the morning featuring campus dignitaries and a home football game that afternoon against Central Missouri State University.

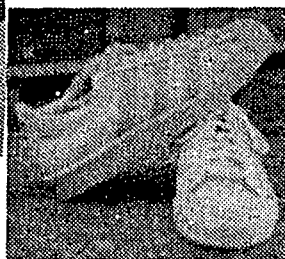
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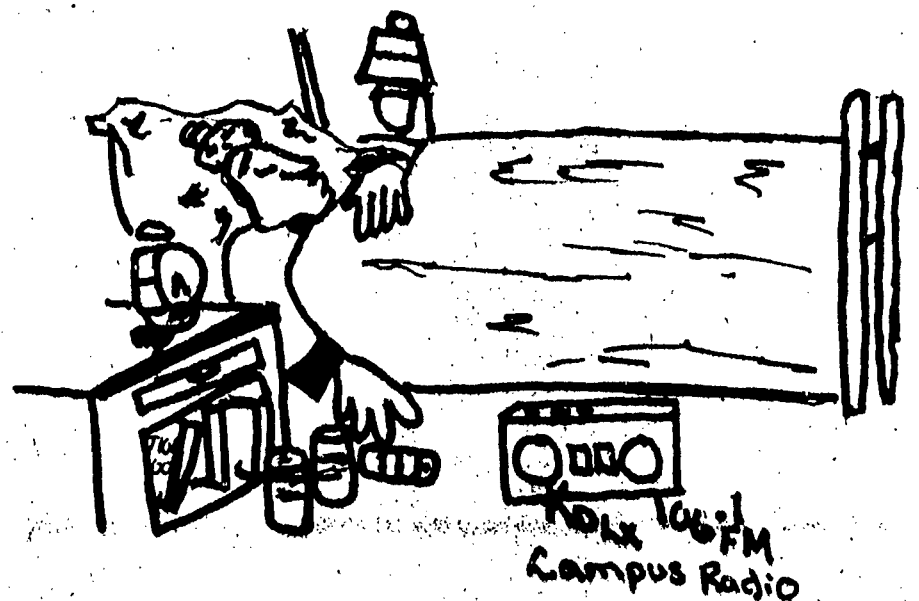
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Early Sunday morning, Sept. 11, a girl was assaulted in Hudson Hall.

The assault itself is tragic and disturbing. However, what is more disturbing are the facts surrounding the assault and the steps that are not being taken to make sure this does not happen again.

The assault took place between 3-4 a.m. According to reports, the man followed the girl into her room. This raises a serious question: how did the man get in the dorms at that time in the morning?

Women's dorm rules state that all males must be out of the dorms by 1 a.m. Also, all males must be escorted through the halls after 9 p.m.

Since the assault, nothing has been done to increase security. According to several girls, males continue to roam the halls unescorted. People can still get into the dorms at all hours of the night simply by walking through a door.

The hall directors and the resident assistants should stress that doors should not be propped open and make sure everyone knows how to lock the doors back up.

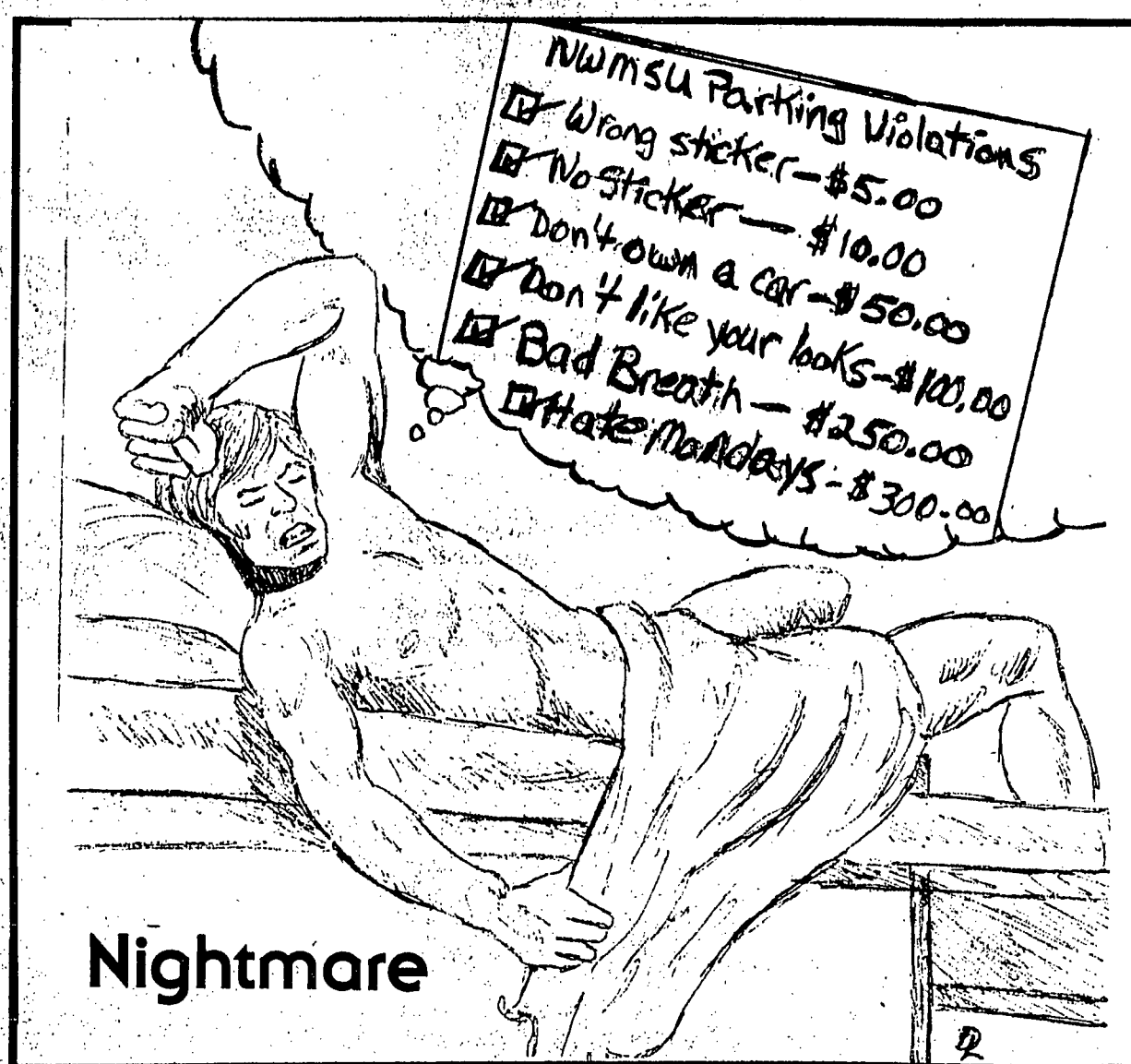
Campus Security should work with the Inter-Residence Council to come up with a security system for all dorms. Not to be knocking security, but they make it safe to park your car in Maryville, but they don't make it safe to be in your own room.

A solution needs to be found immediately before another attack occurs.

Whatever the solution, it will make it harder for men to see the women in the dorms. All the changes that IRC have made concerning the extended visitation hours will be set back.

It may be worth it, however, to insure the safety of others.

Alan Cross, Editor



Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,

Commuters rejoice! Your parking problems have been solved! NWMSU has found you several places to park your vehicles. You can now set your brakes behind the Garrett-Strong Building, the Communications Building, the Agriculture Building or the Fine Arts Building without fear of not finding a spot.

Why, is this happening, you ask? Because the Campus Safety Department has made it illegal for on-campus vehicle owners to park in any of these places.

When did all this occur, you ask? Well, most of the students weren't aware of the change until the tickets appeared on their windshields—\$5 for the violation (\$10 if there is more than just the 1983-84 sticker on the window).

In the lot behind the Fine Arts Building, the tickets appeared before noon Tuesday, but the brochures announcing the new NWMSU parking laws weren't added to the windshields until hours later—after several students voiced their opinion of the situation to the Campus Safety Office, complaining not only of the tickets, but of the lack of prior notification.

In recent years, NWMSU has admitted to having a lack of student parking areas, but still they've issued limitless \$25 parking permits and notebooks full of the \$5 violation notices. Now, they've completely eliminated five parking lots (the South Complex parking lot is now open only to visitors) as well as different areas of the lots behind the dormitories.

For what reason are we paying \$35 to own a campus parking permit if not to park ON campus? (Or at least be informed of parking changes before they are enforced.)

Marcia Matt
C112 Hudson Hall

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The Editor will not print a letter without a name unless it is mutually agreed upon. Name and address of the letter writer must be included with the letter.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for the articles in the September 15 issue about the murder of Wallace Morgan. Especially, thank you for the article about the harassment he experienced on campus.

This sort of harassment is so often talked about by students—it must have been an important part of his tragedy.

I believe that, although most of the University authorities are well-intentioned, they, like all of us, are easily tempted to think a problem is solved by burying it.

It is good to see an organ of campus communication raise an issue that the University has some control over, because the primary question for the Northwest campus is not how are people treated in the Nodaway County jail, but how are they being treated right here on campus.

Your article expressed one person's desire that "Justice should be done to send out the right message to the few wrong elements that this community abhors anyone of the community being killed..."

But even if the four men accused of the actual murder are found guilty, justice will only be partial because the students who harassed Mr. Morgan, or harass any other student, share in the guilt; and those who are responsible for protecting students from such harassment and fail in that responsibility share it also.

In the Bible when God confronts Cain and asks him where the murdered Abel is, Cain attempts to shrug off responsibility by responding, "I don't know; am I my brother's keeper?" The answer, as far as God is concerned, is: "Yes." I am sure that is the same answer in the case of Mr. Morgan and every student on this campus.

Father Tom Hawkins, Chaplin
Newman Catholic Center

Synergism

Nancy Reagan's little bundle of joy

Curt Floerchinger

Is Nancy Reagan's purported pregnancy a clever ploy to insinuate Mr. Reagan still has it in him, or an attempt by the ever-feisty First Lady to steal the show from the most popular baby machine in Europe, the seemingly never punctual Lady Diana?

Such a crucial question seemed worthy of a deeper investigation, so with my editor's approval and money donated from the annual Christmas fund, (I promise to pay it back, honest I do), I set off for Washington, in hopes of cornering Nancy and seeing just what was up.

I spent the money I'd allotted myself at my own discretion, which is what all people foolish enough to give money to people like me without a receipt are bound to advise, and eventually found myself in the nation's capital, where I finagled an interview with that wonderful woman herself. It's amazing what power a self-generated press pass and a letter pasted above Dr. Owen's signature from last week's "Greeting to the Students," (located on page three of last week's Missourian), can have at the White House.

I met Mrs. Reagan in the Rose Garden, where she was gaily pruning her prize bush, the Reagan Rose, which to my understanding was christened far before the announcement of the blessed occasion and had nothing to do with the act itself.

"I really didn't think anyone knew about this," Mrs. Reagan blushed, directing a too familiar awkward glance to her Gucci garden casuals, \$69.95 at a store near you. "Ron, I mean the President—he likes it when I call him the President, it helps him remember the President and I were kind of hoping to make it a surprise around election time."

"Are you insinuating," I asked, "that this whole thing could just be an attempt to prove Mr. Reagan isn't too old for the Presidency, that he can still hold up his end of the responsibility for running this country?"

"Oh, my no," Mrs. Reagan blinked. "We're doing this for each other, but more importantly for the American public."

"How's that?" I suspiciously probed.

"Well, for one thing, we've been getting a lot of letters from retirees complaining about how short of money they are. Ron, excuse me, the President told me some of the poor misdirected people

protested all summer, by sitting in their quaint little room and expiring from the heat. We're hoping that this child will show them that just because they're a little bit on the, shall we say, elderly side, they can still be firm active members in the community."

"And didn't you say there were personal reasons for the action?" I reiterated.

"Well," she said hesitantly, "just between you and me, we were kind of hoping to have a son who could some day act in government, like Mr. President is doing now. We really don't hold much hope for our daughters; I can't foresee a lady president before the year 2,000. And our son, well, you know about him, and I'd really rather not go into it."

"I see," I said, not yet satisfied. "I'm sorry to bring this up, but there have been reports that you are, if I may be so blunt, simply attempting to keep up with current trend of popular figures, namely Lady Diana, by having a baby to compliment your Fall wardrobe."

"Well, though the new fashions from Paris are quite billowy, I certainly wouldn't take a step such as this just to keep in style. I've never really even given much thought to style."

I nodded my head. "This is quite a sacrifice your making for your husband," I said. "You certainly must be a devoted wife."

"Well," the First Lady snapped, suddenly pinching the bud of one of her prize flowers. "It really won't be the first time I've done something to help Ron out. I halted my career for him, you know. It'll only be for awhile, he told me, just until I can secure that land deal. Well, we both knew I could act better than he could. Anyone could see that. And then we wind up in this joint. You ever try to redecorate after that Carter woman has run through a place with all her Southern Hospitality garbage? And..."

Suddenly, there appeared from beneath an oleander bush what could only be a Secret Service Agent.

"I think the interview is over," he said, grasping me firmly by the arm. "Mrs. Reagan hasn't been feeling well in the early morning hours of late. You'll have to excuse her."

He dragged me out of the garden and directed me toward Washington Avenue. I could still hear Mrs. Reagan in the distance, loudly proclaiming something about a gross miscarriage of justice.

Stroller- apparitions and a sleepless night

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The Stroller lives in a studio apartment atop a grocery store. He lives alone. All alone. Loneliness, one could tritely say, is his only companion. Poor guy. What a schlep.

He sleeps away a considerable part of the day, knowing that the nothingness of sleep alleviates the pain of being. He read Sartre's *On Being and Nothingness* and that's all he got out of it. He's good at reading between the lines. That, and after he reads for about twenty minutes he gets groggy. When he hits the misty line between sleep and wakefulness, he discovers things he'd never seen before.

Once while he was lying in bed, he saw his first and only college roommate glaring down at him through a gap in the flimsy, styrofoam, acoustical tile billowing out above him. He tried to move, to shout out at the apparition above him, but the suffocating atrophy pushed upon him by his relaxed state of unconsciousness prohibited it. In a minute he awoke, feeling an intense pressure on his temples, as if from the muffled exertion of his attempted pleas for mercy.

His old roommate had heckled him continuously, day and night, for four long, arduous semesters, never allowing him to fully escape his noxious surroundings, and eventually driving

him into his present stark, dank surroundings.

Another time, just after tumbling through a dizzy tunnel of depressed exhaustion, a woman appeared by his bed. He looked up at her. He had to look quite a ways, as the woman's thick, dark hair brushed the ceiling. She looked like Linda Carter in her Wonder Woman costume.

"What do you want from me?" he gasped, his heels unconsciously digging into his matted bedding.

"Anything you want," came the raspy reply. She spoke like Brenda Vaccaro in the Colortrak commercials he'd seen on TV. He liked Brenda Vaccaro.

"Well, who are you?" he asked. "No one, everyone," came the hazy reply.

"What do you want me to do?" he asked. "Nothing at all," she replied, "just relax."

He felt a sudden urge to reach out and touch her. He could see himself reaching out to her, could sense the depression she made in the bed as she sat down. When she was seated, he felt a sudden, unexplainable need to recite the Lord's Prayer.

He stumbled through the first few lines, and then vivid memories of his cloistered youth poured over him like

hot glue. His chant became more rapid, amazingly more meaningful than ever before.

"And forgive us our trespasses," he screamed, "as we forgive those who trespass against us." As he drew to the close of the prayer, the woman at his side underwent a brilliant transformation. She blushed into a dense ball of flame, burning through the mattress and disappearing into the hard wooden floor.

"Boy, they'll sure be surprised to see that in the produce section tomorrow," Stroller thought, shaking himself to a sitting position and peeling the sweat-soaked sheet from his body. Looking at the spot where he thought the spectre had incinerated his mattress, his organs shot into his throat. There was nothing there, no sign of it at all. Stroller didn't sleep the rest of that night. Instead, he roamed the local campus, his untrimmed nails frantically gnawing at his upturned palms, head bowed, as he blindly searched for meaning to what he had seen.

That pretty much explains why he tripped on a step leading up to the campanile situated in the center of campus, split his head on one of the concrete supports to the tower, and had to open four days and five nights in the beautiful, modern St. Francis

Hospital, located on the outskirts of beautiful downtown Maryville.

"This place isn't bad at all," he mused. "I have all the TV I want, I don't have to move to get fed and I'm bathed regularly."

He thought maybe he should stay a couple of weeks. He thought of employing the well-worn childhood trick of planting hot compresses across his brow to suggest a raging fever to insure his stay. After painfully reaching back into his failing memory for awhile, he discovered why his plan wouldn't work.

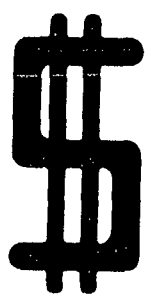
It was simple, really. There would be no one there in the morning, besides himself, to gently place a concerned hand on his steaming brow and call his professor to say, "Sorry, but the Stroller won't be in today. He's got a fever."

After failing to think of a ploy to keep himself in the hospital, he was jetisoned from the hospital and led back to his room above the store.

He tried to stay awake long enough during the day so he could sleep at night, but it was no use.

The Stroller now knew he could no longer sleep at night, he would have to take furtive cat naps during the day and pried carelessly through the sleepy college town during the night, searching anywhere and everywhere for an answer he can never find.

Businesses rely on student spending



When NWMSU students come to school in the fall, their spending is not limited to the university campus.

The success of many Maryville businesses depends substantially upon the spending of Northwest students.

Gary Plummer, head of the Maryville Chamber of Commerce, said that although he couldn't give an exact figure as to how much the money flow increases with the influx of college students, the increase in money flow is very noticeable in the fall as opposed to the summer months.

Plummer said that the spending that comes from the college students has been one of the biggest factors in the growth of Maryville.

"The college is one of the top assets we have to offer prospective businesses," he said. "It makes for a different atmosphere from the other towns and makes it more attractive to those businesses."

Plummer said that all stores benefit directly and indirectly, but those that benefit the most are food stores, clothing stores and restaurants.

Dave Williams, manager of Taco John's in Maryville said that approximately 70 percent of his business comes from college students. He added that this influx increases his money intake 25-30 percent.

"This year has been a strange year though," he said. "This year we had a good summer which we don't usually have, so the change hasn't been that large."

He added that in August, the business usually picks up from the summer months and then increases through October, which is their busiest month, especially during homecoming. After that, there is a drastic reduction in business.

Sonia Wilson, manager of Tober's in Maryville, agreed that her business relied heavily upon college student's spending also.

"About 75 percent of our business is from college students. We cater to the college girl," said Wilson. "I can really tell the difference during the summer months when the college

students aren't here."

A study was done recently by Sharon Browning and Edward Browning of NWMSU to determine the amount of money that non-resident NWMSU students spend in Maryville. The results of the study showed that each student spends \$1923.14 in the private sector while attending the university. These figures could be carried over to the resident students also, Browning said.

"Without the business Maryville receives from the college students, we would still be able to compete for business with area towns, but the college gives us that extra edge," Plummer said. "Without it, Maryville would never have grown as much as it has."

Debaters open season

For the second year in a row, Northwest opens the season with a young, inexperienced debate team, but with the potential to become a good team, says Dr. Roy Leeper, associated professor of speech and debate coach.

The season opens this weekend, Sept. 23-25, with competition in the Johnson County Community College Tournament.

Members of this year's debate squad are Barry Boyer, junior, Topeka, Kans.; Ricky Newport, senior, Stet; Ken Ortman, senior, St. Joseph; Ilse Straub, freshman, Kansas City; Teri Miller, senior, Lee's Summit; Shari Carlson, freshman, Ledyard, Conn.; Frank Parrish, freshman, Sikeston; Allen Henry, freshman, Newton, Iowa; and Mike Jeffers, senior, Kansas City.

The national debate topic this year is "Resolved: That any and all injury resulting from the disposal of hazardous waste in the United States should be the legal responsibility of the producer of that waste."

Dr. Leeper said the topic is very timely with recent news accounts on such issues as dioxin, asbestos, formaldehyde, acid rain, etc. The topic is complex with many legal, scientific and economic aspects to consider, he said.

"For us it will be a difficult topic," said Dr. Leeper. Since much of the debate will be center the legality of the issue, some research will have to be done in Kansas City, he said.

Dr. Leeper says he is looking forward to developing the potential of the team.

Last year's team, which also started out with little debate experience, enjoyed a good season with high finishes in a number of tournaments, including a second place showing to Northwestern University at the Macalester Tournament in Minneapolis, Minn.

The debate team will travel Creighton University on Sept. 30 for their tournament and will participate in the Iowa State University tournament on Oct. 8.

Senate discusses a-la-dine, parking

A-la-dine, rules for towing cars and money allotment were some of the issues that were discussed at the Student Senate meeting held Tuesday, Sept. 20.

Jim Winn, director of dining services as of last June 20, was allotted 10 minutes out of the meeting schedule to address the Senate.

Winn mentioned many of the improvements already instigated since his arrival, and told of future improvements he hoped could be made with available funds.

"There are some problem areas," Winn said. "We have to get a program in the deli for cash customers."

At present, a great deal of congestion occurs for students buying food in the deli even before they have a chance to eat any of it.

"We've ordered another cash register," Winn said, "so now we plan to run cash customers down one line, a-la-dine customers down the other."

Speaking of the a-la-dine service, Winn said he could foresee problems arriving when the program gains popularity. Now there are 410 students on the full a-la-dine, with another 100-130 who bought cash "points" in addition to their regular meal plan.

"Our experience shows it'll get a lot bigger," Winn said. "If this catches on, we'll have a real problem in our cash areas."

Winn said plans are being made for a major renovation of the Bearcat Den, including moving a couple walls, getting table covers for the den, the type seen in the Italian design of the Spanish Den, and new menu changes.

"In the near future," Winn said, "we'll be making hamburger by hand. Then we'll have a nice, juicy hamburger, which we don't have now even though we're using a higher quality product than before."

Winn has gained much experience working with similar food programs

at larger schools in Wisconsin, such as the University of Wisconsin, which Winn said had 3,500 students on board contracts.

"I'm from Wisconsin," Winn said. "There's a lot of things down here in Missouri I'm not used to. Like the way the food is made and tastes. We're going to try to implement a few changes, and if we get a negative reaction, we'll go back to the old way."

Winn concluded by saying that the only way he could really improve the food services was through feedback from the students. He encouraged all students to proffer suggestions to him or his staff at any time. "The lines of communication are open," he said. "If a suggestion is within our budget, it will be seriously considered."

Martha Cooper was elected as a third faculty advisor to the Student Senate. She will join Drs. Richard Frucht and Roger Corley in that capacity.

Cooper graduated from Northwest with two degrees and has been serving on the faculty and staff since 1955. She is now a certification officer, supervises the advisors to the "undecided" major students as well as advising 100 students herself, and teaches courses at the University.

Rules for towing cars from University lots have been made uniform, taking the wonder out of whether or why a student's car will be towed away. After a student has received three parking tickets, his car will automatically be towed away.

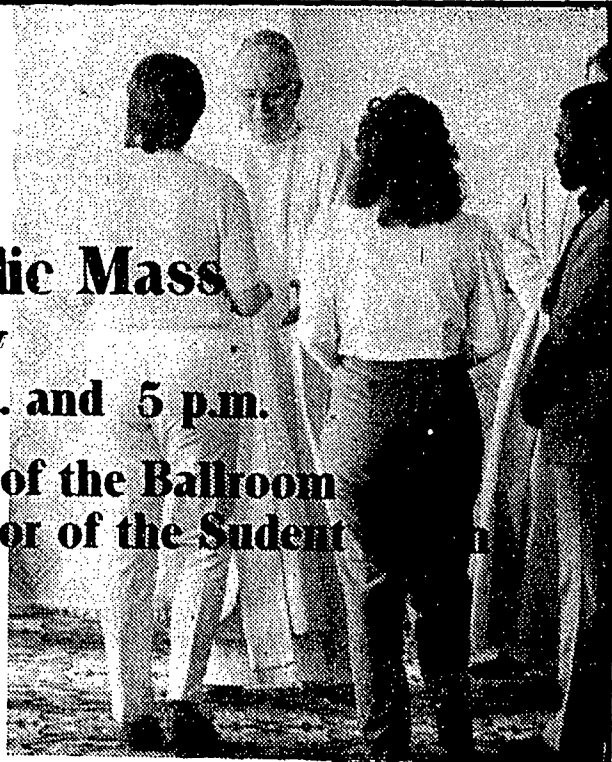
The Senate approved the rules and processes for allotting up to \$500 to organizations for projects. The \$500 ceiling can be raised for groups who, the Senate feels, need and deserve more money. Explained President Swaney, "Student Senate has a right to wave any rule [regarding organization funding] at any time. These are the rules, but Student Senate has a right to change them at any time."

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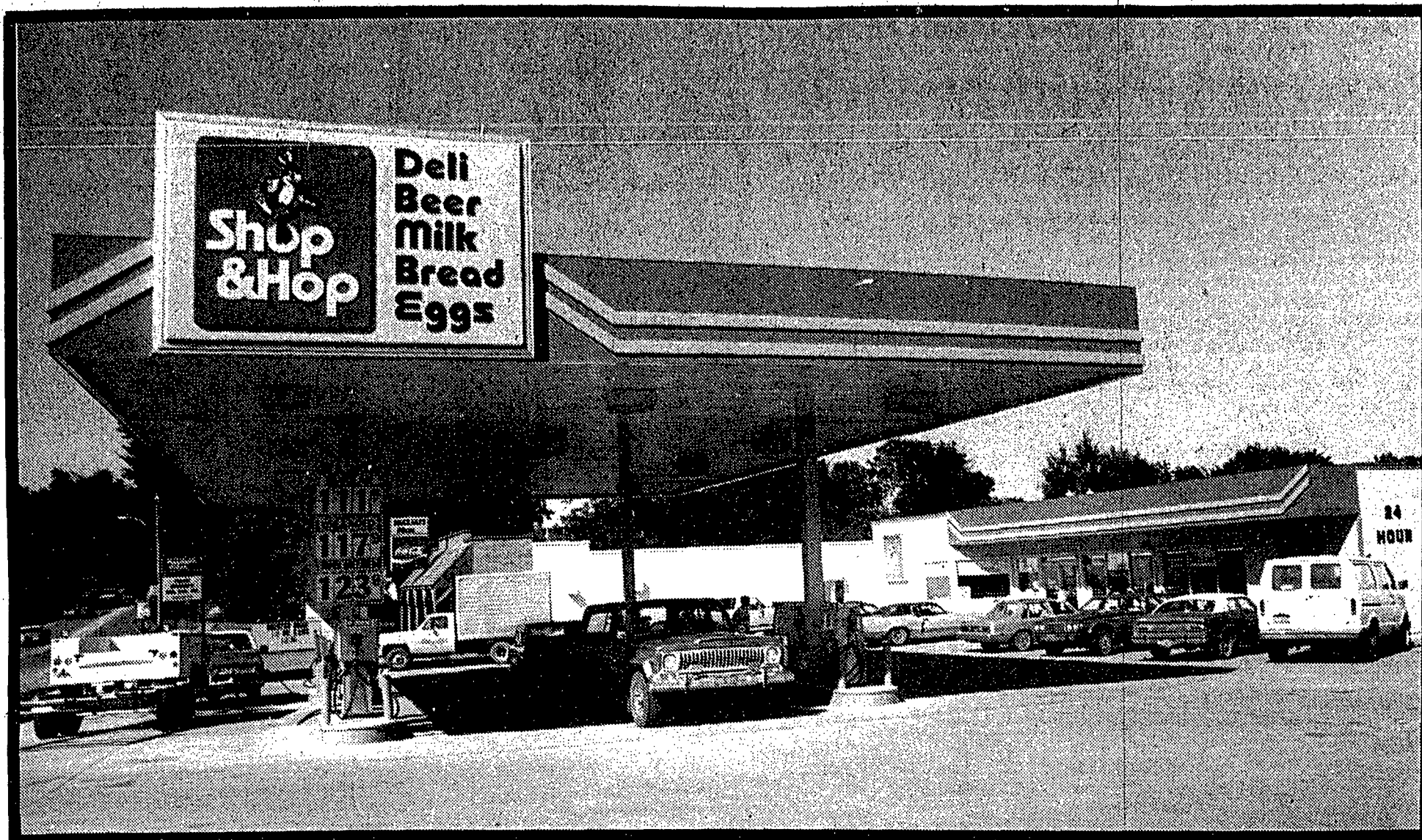
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Bearcat cheerleading squad tops
 1983 Midwest spirit competition

By Marcia Matt
 "If you can't bear with the 'Cats
 You can't mess with the best."
 Back off Bears
 Take a hike or take a rest."
 When the NWMSU Cheerleading
 Squad hits the field Saturday, the
 fans will really be looking at the best.
 The squad is the top collegiate cheer-
 ing team in the Midwest.
 The Bearcat squad achieved this
 honor during the National
 Cheerleading Associations
 Midwestern Cheerleading Camp held
 in August at the University of
 Nebraska in Lincoln. College teams
 from 32 campuses attended the
 camp, according to Northwest
 Cheerleading Advisor Vinnie
 Vicarro.
 "NCA is the largest cheerleading
 association in the United States. They
 sponsor over 400 high school and col-
 lege camps each summer," he ex-
 plained.
 During a college camp, the perfor-
 mance of each squad is evaluated on
 a daily basis with blue, red or white
 ribbons. At the end of the camp, the
 most outstanding teams are invited to
 compete for the Award of Ex-
 cellence, one of six regional honors
 presented nationally by NCA. For
 the past two years, the Bearcat squad
 has received all blue ribbons and been
 among the finalists. This year they
 won.
 "I guess this was our year to be a
 bride and not a bridesmaid," Vicarro
 said.
 The competitors included squads
 from NWMSU, the Air Force
 Academy, Sterling College of Kansas
 and the University of Nebraska in
 Omaha.
 Each team presented a home cheer,
 an NCA sideline cheer and an NCA
 main cheer in the competition,
 Vicarro explained.
 Judges looked at each teams en-
 trance and exit, appearance, gym-
 nastics and partner stunts, as well as
 their ability to utilize the new stunts
 and pyramids learned during the
 camp.

"I'm very proud they won the
 award," said Vicarro. "They really
 gave their all for Northwest."
 In addition to the squad competi-
 tion, the NCA camp judges
 cheerleaders individually. The staff
 looks at the qualities and capabilities
 of each team member and offers
 employment applications to approx-
 imately 10 for the next summers high
 school camps, according to Vicarro.
 Six of these applications went to
 members of the Northwest squad.
 "The application doesn't
 guarantee them a job," he said.
 "They (NCA) need people who are
 outstanding cheerleaders to teach at
 the high school camps and there
 aren't that many openings, but our
 kids have the raw talent."

Here at NWMSU, the cheerleading
 squads selected in March on the basis
 of personal interview (60 percent)
 and a physical tryout (40 percent)
 Members of the squad receive a
 physical education credit and a room
 scholarship. They begin practices in
 the spring and prepare for the sum-
 mer competition and camp, they also
 spend several summer weekends on
 campus at their own expense.
 "Cheerleading is really turning in-
 to a sport," explained Vicarro. "You
 have to be in good physical condition
 to do what these kids do... and do it
 as well. I've always been fortunate
 to have some kids who really enjoy
 working together."
 Specifically what Vicarro has are 15
 students. Twelve are cheerleaders,
 two alternates and "Bobby Bearcat",
 the campus mascot.
 Todd Bravard who has portrayed
 "Bobby Bearcat" for the past two
 years was named an outstanding
 mascot at the August NCA camp.
 "Good mascots are hard to find,"
 said Vicarro, who portrayed the fuz-
 zy yellow creature while he was a stu-
 dent and was NCAs "Mr. Spirit

Stick" at the Nebraska camp this
 summer. "Love is the only word to
 describe what I feel for what I'm do-
 ing," Vicarro said.
 In October, the Bearcat squad will
 know if they have been selected to
 compete in Dallas, Texas at the Na-
 tional Collegiate Cheerleading Cham-
 pionships to be held in January.
 Twenty teams from across the nation
 will participate. The NWMSU squad
 competed for a position in the na-
 tional show with a routine to the
 music "Romeo" from the motion
 picture "Flashdance."
 "Last year we missed competing by
 only three points," Vicarro said.
 "This year they really gave 110 per-
 cent and win, lose or draw, that's all
 that matters."



NWMSU's award-winning cheerleaders are in the first row, Brooke Brown, Cheri Scheloski, Lin-
 da Carnes, Toni Prawl, Phonda Hauptman, Shella Anderman, Kristi Howard and Vinnie Vaccaro,
 executive secretary of alumni relations and cheerleader sponsor. Back row, Pat McCabe, Mike
 Shepherd, Tom Crider, and Glenn Turner. In front is Todd Bravard who portrays Bobby Bearcat,
 the Northwest mascot. (Missourian Photo/Karla Miller)

Former student donates antiques to University,
 Furniture displayed throughout Alumni House

By Maryann McWilliams
 A former NWMSU student has
 donated several heirlooms and pur-
 chased antique furniture to the cam-
 pus Alumni House.
 Elsie Zimmerman of Grant
 City, Mo. said that the work of our
 ancestors should be preserved. So, she
 wanted her antiques to be put in a
 museum.
 A beautiful and fancy carved light
 oak organ is one of the items
 donated. It has all of the original
 keys, a high carved back insert with
 a diamond shaped, beveled mirror,
 seven stops and a matching three-
 legged stool.
 It was manufactured in 1894 and
 still has the manufacturer's certificate
 and number warranty inside of the
 back. It was typical of parlor organs
 found in homes in the late 19th and
 early 20th centuries.
 An A. J. Estey parlor reed organ
 with seven stops was also presented.

The mahogany instrument has a carv-
 ed music rack and its original ivory
 natural and ebony oxidental keys. It
 was manufactured in Battleboro, Vt.
 prior to 1872.
 A. J. Estey & Co. was one of the
 largest manufactures of reed organs,
 an organ style which reached its peak
 of popularity in the late 19th century.
 Zimmerman also contributed a
 19th century, hand-made oak chest of
 drawers with hand-carved drawer
 pulls and a late 1800's, oak, low-boy
 dresser with a tall, offset beveled mir-
 ror which stands beside a unit of
 drawers.
 The dresser has brass pulls and sits
 on porcelain casters. It matches a late
 19th century, walnut double bed with
 high head board which was also
 donated. The head board and foot
 board of the bed has carved decora-
 tions.
 She presented an oak library table
 with a twisted column carved legs and
 carved "rope" decorations.


Also among the items is a caned
 parlor chair with delicate turnings on
 the leg and arm supports and a high
 back sitting room rocking chair with
 turned spindle back and an
 upholstered seat.
 A round top, 19th century, wooden
 trunk with brass fittings, as well as a
 small, walnut drop leaf table, and a
 wooden wash stand with hinged com-
 partment, two narrow drawers and
 towel rack were also contributed
 along with several powder horns, an
 early television set, and an old radio.
 There are plans to refinish the anti-
 ques before they go on display
 throughout the Alumni House.
 Descriptive labels will be attached to
 each piece so that future generations
 will know of their historic
 background.
 Mrs. Zimmerman, attended North-
 west Missouri State University dur-
 ing the summers after 1934. In 1940,
 after teaching school, she applied for

a government service job and then
 spent the next 25 years as a statisti-
 cian for the Air Force in the Pen-
 tagon in Washington, D. C. She
 retired and returned to Grant City
 planning to convert her home into an
 antique shop. Grant City, however,
 could not afford an antique shop, so
 Zimmerman decided to place her an-
 tiques in a museum.
 She said the University could keep
 the items for as long as there was a
 need for them. Otherwise, they will
 be turned over to another museum.
 "Any gift from alumni serves to
 benefit the University," said Univer-
 sity Assistant to the President,
 Charles Veatch. "But, Zimmerman's
 furniture was very creative and it met
 a need in the Alumni House."
 The Alumni House is open for
 students, faculty and community
 residents to view the antiques.

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Drum Major ready to 'Strike Up the Band' at Saturday's game



Keepin' the beat

Keeping the beat for the 115-member NWMSU band is Drum Major Jeff Lean, as he rehearses for Saturday's band program for the first home football game. As drum major, Lean assumes responsibility for keeping the beat, but he also adds razzle-dazzle to the band's programs. His style and showmanship are an important part of the band's appearance and a favorite for the fans.

By Marcia Matt

While your eyes are fixed on the mighty Bearcat football team this Saturday, tune your ears into the cookin' music of the Bearcat Marching Band.

The 115-member band will be making its first appearance of the season with a record number of returning players, including Drum Major Jeff Lean.

Lean was selected for the position of drum major two years ago as a spring semester freshman. He is a music education major from Stockton, Mo. specializing in voice saxophone.

"I had had some experience from high school where I helped to conduct the Junior High band, but this is more involved than just keeping a beat," he explained. "I not only conduct the band, I also serve as an auxiliary to the band, and showmanship is a big part of that."

As a separate entity to the band, Lean must be entertaining as well as exact. So, after being selected in 1982, he attended a Marching Auxiliaries Camp to learn about his role as an "individual" part of the Marching Band.

There he learned conducting methods, an assortment of salutes and several novelties and accents to add a flare to his conducting style. Therefore, instead of a straight conducting method, Lean can add to several additional motions to each beat if the music calls for it.

Although Lean spent most of the 1982 season conducting from atop a podium, he plans to spend more time down on the field this year.

"I'm going to be more directly involved with the band. We've got several surprises planned," he hinted.

Some of these "surprises" include new uniforms for Lean and the Flag Corps members.

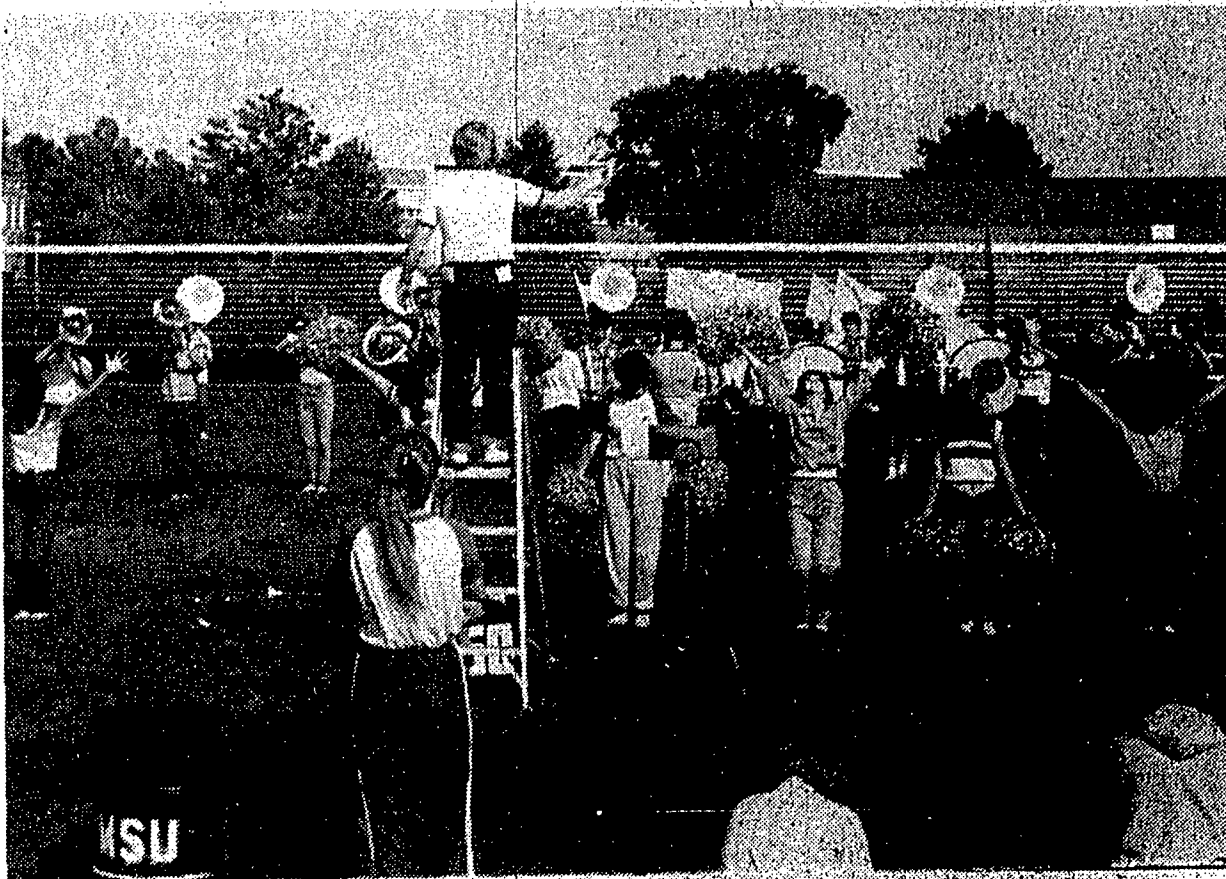
At the end of this season, Lean plans to submit a video tape his 1983 conducting work to the Marching Auxiliaries as part of a summer application. He will also enter a self-prepared lesson plan for the summer camp which he would follow if hired.

"When I attended their camp two years ago as a student, I actually got

to teach because one of the instructors was ill," he explained. "That was great and I learned a lot." Last year he was finalist for the employment position.

In addition to his role as the NWMSU Drum Major, Lean is active in the Tower Choir, University Chorale, Jazz Ensemble, Northwest Celebration Band, University Singers and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Professional Music Fraternity for Men.

The Marching Band, featuring Lean, as well as the Northwest Flag Corps and Stepper Squad will perform "El Tigre," "Only Time Will Tell," featuring the Steppers and Flag Corps; "Drunken Sailor," featuring the percussion section; "Dancing Men," featuring baton twirler Lori McLemore and the Flag Corps; and "The Greatest Love of All" at Saturday's home football game.



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SDX receives formal charter on Sept. 30

The campus chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, will be holding a formal chartering ceremony, Sept. 30 in the Regents Room of the J.W. Jones Student Union.

The chartering ceremony will begin with a reception honoring Fred Wickman, regional director of the campus SDX chapter, and Robert Lewis, national SDX treasurer. Following the reception will be a banquet in the University Club where the charter will officially be given to local members and student advisor, John Clogston.

The charter will include the names of the people who helped organize the local chapter last year, Clogston said. "It will also include the names of four professional members which include myself, Laura Widmer, Jeff McCall and Corey Dennison," he said.

Initially, plans to organize a campus chapter began in the fall of 1980 and continued into the spring of 1981. The efforts of the students and Jeff McCall proved fruitless.

"I think the reason this attempt failed was because the University had no School of Journalism," Clogston said. "We didn't even have a Mass Communication Department, either."

Not to be discouraged, Clogston began the efforts of organizing a chapter again in 1982. "We updated the petition in the late fall and early spring. Our petition was accepted in late April, 1982. Having an area of mass communication helped us last year. A week after our petition was accepted, a Mass Communication Department was formed on campus. We still had problems with an unconsolidated mass communication area," Clogston said.

"Fred Wickman played a key role in helping to get our chapter organized and accepted with the national SDX chapter," Clogston said.

Once the petition was accepted, the group began a full scale candy sale fundraiser to earn money for the charter members' national dues.

"Rollie (Stadman) and KXCV has come through with some incidental funding for the organization," Clogston said. "We are also funded by the benevolent involvement of the charter members. Also, we have had help from Broadcast Services and the Mass Communication Department."

"It is really encouraging to know that all of the seniors that were inducted unofficially last year all are working in the field of journalism, either teaching or working as a journalist," Clogston said.

Shakespeare instead of politics

Many people go to Washington, D.C., to study politics and that's exactly what Northwest Missouri State University English professor Dr. Mike Jewett did for the past six months.

But he wasn't examining the politics of the current administration. Rather, he studied the views of the "politician" William Shakespeare.

Dr. Jewett, a member of the Northwest English faculty since 1969, was on a sabbatical during the spring semester. He used the sabbatical to do research and write at the Folger Shakespeare Library located near Capital Hill.

A Shakespearean authority, Dr. Jewett has long been interested in the "body politic metaphors" and the political themes in Shakespeare's writings.

Jewett said Shakespeare's work are very politically oriented. He said most of the writer's histories and tragedies are political commentaries, and Shakespeare was a person who

was greatly concerned about society and the effects of government on society.

Dr. Jewett said there is no consensus among scholars concerning Shakespeare's politics, but Jewett believes that Shakespeare's politics were very traditional for 16th century Europe.

"My view is that he had traditional political views that stressed order and obedience and condemned rebellion. He supported a monarchy," said Dr. Jewett. "I would agree with the revisionists in that he presents his kings as very flawed, but I think he condemns the rebels more than kings."

At the Folger Library, Jewett was able to immerse himself into research and writing in a much greater degree than before. He spent the last three months in Washington writing five essays which he said are nearly ready to be submitted for possible publication.

Jewett, who holds a bachelor's degree in history from Appalachian

State University, a master's from the University of Kentucky and a Ph.D. from the University of Missouri, said he enjoyed the opportunities the sabbatical provided him, but he missed his teaching and the contact with students and colleagues.

Dr. Jewett explained that the Folger Shakespeare Library was developed by the Folger family that was associated with Standard Oil of New Jersey. The Folgers had the beautiful and ornate building constructed in the 1930s to house their rare and extensive collection of Shakespeare's works.

Among the Library's holdings are 79 of the 200 first folios published by Shakespeare in 1623.

The Library, administered by Amhurst College, is constructed in the Elizabethan style with luxurious and finely carved furnishings.

Security, which involved two checks upon entering and leaving the Library, was very tight according to Dr. Jewett, but it was "something you got used to."



Dr. C.W. Koch, right, director of the B.D. Owens Library at Northwest Missouri State University, receives a copy of the periodical, "Personnel Administrator," from Bob Broderson, president of the University's student chapter of the American Society for Personnel Administration. The student chapter presented a year's subscription to the publication to the University's B.D. Owens Library as well as more than a year of back copies of the magazine. With Broderson are Janet Gilpin, left, chapter secretary, and Pam Argo, chapter treasurer.

May-A world full of ideas to write

"This world is full of ideas to write about...everything about life can become an article," Dr. Leland May, English professor and writer tells his students.

May, a free-lance writer for 17 years, published his first article in 1966 in the religious magazine Guideposts.

Since then May has published over 100 articles dealing with nostalgic writing, religion, self-help, collector's items, how-to's and fillers on just about every topic.

He has also written two books. Parodies of the Gothic Novel was released in October, 1980 and Good Morning, Lord, an inspirational message for college students, was released in September of 1981. The book is on sale in the university bookstore.

Good Morning, Lord, with a first printing of 10,000 copies, is doing very well with college students across the states. He said the book will remain in print for several years.

May is currently working on several books, two of which are directed towards the children's market.

"I have done fairly well this year," he said. Dr. May has sold an article or filler every month during 1983. His most recent article was sold on Sept. 3 to the regional magazine Ozark Mountaineer. May said he writes for this publication on a regular basis.

His next article will appear in the October issue of Nutshell News, a national collectors magazine. May specializes in collecting toys which were popular during the 1930's and 40's. He also collects old baseball cards, comic books, books and postcards.

In 1979 May began teaching the class "Writing for the Free-lance Market." He said it has been a very popular class. "It thrills me to see my own students getting their articles published," he added. Some of his past students are still doing free-lance work, "and are doing excellent jobs."

According to Dr. May, people write for a variety of reasons including: to inspire, to change the world, to make money, to obtain immortality, to entertain, to combat boredom, to express the joy of being alive, to win recognition, or because the writer is neurotic and wants to attract attention.

"The world is filled with would-be writers," May said. "Writing is a matter of discipline and making sure to set aside the time to write."

With his busy schedule May finds most of his time for writing during the summer and Christmas vacations.

He told his free-lance writing class that he writes in his den and insists to his family that he not be disturbed. May trained his family well; on the day the pope was shot it wasn't until he came out of his haven several hours later that he learned of the attack. "For this," he said, "they could have disturbed me."

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Cats win meet

By Todd Behr
The Northwest Missouri State men's cross country team won the 1983 Bearcat Distance Classic, Sept. 10 at Nodaway Lake near Maryville. Northwest placed six runners in the top fifteen to edge out Haskell Community Junior College by four team points, 36 to 40.

The Bearcats were led by Sophomore Brad Ortmeier's second-place finish in a time of 25:30 over the 6.2-mile course. Other top Cat finishers were Paul Fiumano, 5th, 26:00; Jim Ryan, 6th, 26:01; Reynold Middleton, 10th, 26:53; Chris Wiggs, 13th, 27:00; Greg Crowley, 14th, 27:13; Dale Long, 27:21; and Steve Leach, 21st, 27:33. Other Bearcats competing in the race were Trevor Cape, 26th, 27:59; Brian Kirk, 31st, 28:09; Eric Nold, 37th, 28:38; Chuck Jenner, 40th, 29:01; Steve Walters, 41st, 29:03; Mark Glaspie, 42nd, 29:10; Bryan Brum, 55th, 30:00; Danny Holt, 56th, 30:01; Ned Hancock, 65th, 34:06; and Eugene Stillman, 66th, 34:32. Nelson Begay of Haskell won the meet with a time of 25:13.

Bearcat assistant coach Joe Williams said the team ran very well against very tough competition. "I am very pleased with our overall team effort. Haskell Community Junior College is very well-known for their cross country nationwide."

Williams cited the top three Bearcat runners (Ortmier, Ryan and Fiumano) for their efforts against the competition. He added that as long as the team stays healthy, Northwest will be very competitive throughout the season. However, Williams promises the Bearcat team "can and will get better" before season's end.

MEN'S STANDINGS

1. Northwest Missouri State-36
2. Haskell JC-40
3. Nebraska Wesleyan-100
4. Central of Pella-122
5. Cloud County JC-163
6. School/Ozarks-165
7. Tarkio-306

The Northwest Missouri State women's cross country team placed second Saturday at the Cougar Cross Country Classic in Edwardsville, IL. For the second week in a row, MIAA rival Northeast Missouri finished ahead of the "Kittens."

Northwest was led by Pam Janssen, who came in third with a time of 19:54, was one of six Bearkitten runners to place in the top twenty.

Other top Northwest finishers were Sherri Reynolds, 9th; Dee Dee McCullough, 14th; Beth Doerr, 17th; Lisa Basich, 18th; Jackie Hayes, 39th; and Susan Hyde, 41st.

"The girls ran very well. They have progressed well from week to week," Bearkitten Coach Pam Medford said. "Many of the girls had personal bests at this meet and the team will continue to improve. They know what lies ahead of them."

The Bearkittens have a week off to prepare for the Iowa State Invitational in Ames, on Oct. 1.

WOMEN'S STANDINGS

1. Northeast Missouri State-23
2. Northwest Missouri State-47
3. Vincennes JC-62
4. Washington-Mo-98
5. Millikin, IL-119
6. Bradley-no team score



Northwest's outstanding volleyball player and track star, Dixie Wescott, takes time out from her busy schedule. In her fours at NWMSU, Dixie has set several track records. (Missourian Photo/Dan Bohlken)

Wescott confident

by Ken Gammell

Dixie Wescott has become a familiar name in women's athletics at Northwest through her record setting throws in the shot putt and her leadership on the volleyball court.

In volleyball, Wescott plays outside hitter and center blocker and is co-captain of the team.

"Volleyball is going pretty good right now," Wescott said. "We are young and inexperienced, but everybody is working hard. We keep progressing and getting better. We are determined to get better and I know we will."

The senior from Independence, Missouri also owns the school record in the indoor shot putt with a heave of 40'7". She achieved that in her freshman year here.

"I couldn't throw the shot in my sophomore year because of tendonitis," Wescott said. "All I could do was throw the javelin."

And all Wescott did that year was qualify for nationals in that event.

"I qualified, but didn't do much," she said.

Wescott qualified for nationals again last year and did a little better.

"I wasn't as scared and broke my personal record," Wescott said. "This year I want to place in the top six in the nation."

Before coming to Northwest, Wescott was a standout at Truman

High School where she went to state in track and volleyball, as well as being a member of the basketball team.

Head volleyball coach Susie Homan said very coachable and sees her leadership coming through a different way.

"Dixie is our only senior and as co-captain, I expect most of her enthusiasm to come from her experience and spirit," Homan said. "That way she can be a good leader."

Homan said that Wescott should have an excellent year at the outside hitter position and at center blocker.

"Those positions can be very hard," Homan said. "She has a good start and I expect her to keep it up."

Freshman teammate Jill Tallman said that Wescott is always eager to help out if she is needed.

"She makes you feel comfortable on the court," Tallman said. "She works hard and that is an incentive."

Wescott said she would like to get into teaching after she graduates.

"Perferably at a middle school level and get a job down south," Wescott said.

In reflection about her Northwest years, Wescott said, "It has been great at Northwest. It's one of the prettiest campuses I've ever seen. The people are super and you get to know a lot of people here."

Kittens lose to Southern in semis

by Ken Gammell

The Northwest Missouri State women's volleyball team fell to Missouri Southern in the semifinals of the MSSC tournament Saturday.

The Bearkittens finished the tournament with a 3-2 record. On Friday, Northwest defeated Southwest Baptist State, (15-6, 15-5) and Pittsburgh

State (15-10, 15-12) and lost to Drury, (2-15, 11-15). Saturday, the spikers beat Evangel (15-10, 15-4) and then bowed out to Missouri Southern (15-6, 11-15, 9-15).

In Northwest's win over Southwest Baptist, Mary Beth Bishop set a school record for a single match with an .875 overall kill percentage and lead the team in kills. Sherri Miller, had 11 assists and Sue Thomas added six aces.

Against Pittsburgh State, Bishop again lead the team in kills with eight,

while Miller lead in assists with nine, and Thomas added six aces. Rhonda Vanous also chipped in with six errorless serve receptions.

In the loss to Drury, Northwest suffered six serving errors, seven reception errors, eight attacking errors, and three ballhandling errors.

Against Southern Missouri, Nor-

thwest easily won the first game 15-6, before losing the last two. Northwest had a .345 attack percentage in the match, but eight serving errors and six reception errors proved to be their downfall. Bishop lead with 10 kills, while freshman Jill Tallman and sophomore Kelly Greenlee added seven and six. Sherri Miller lead the Bearkittens in assists with 15.

Saturday, the Bearkittens downed Evagle, 15-10, then found themselves trailing 14-12 in the second game. Northwest rallied with kills by Susie Thomas, a block from Rhonda Vanous and Kelly Greenlee, and an ace by Sherri Miller for a 16-14 win.

The 'Kittens play next in the CMSU Invitational Sept. 23-24.

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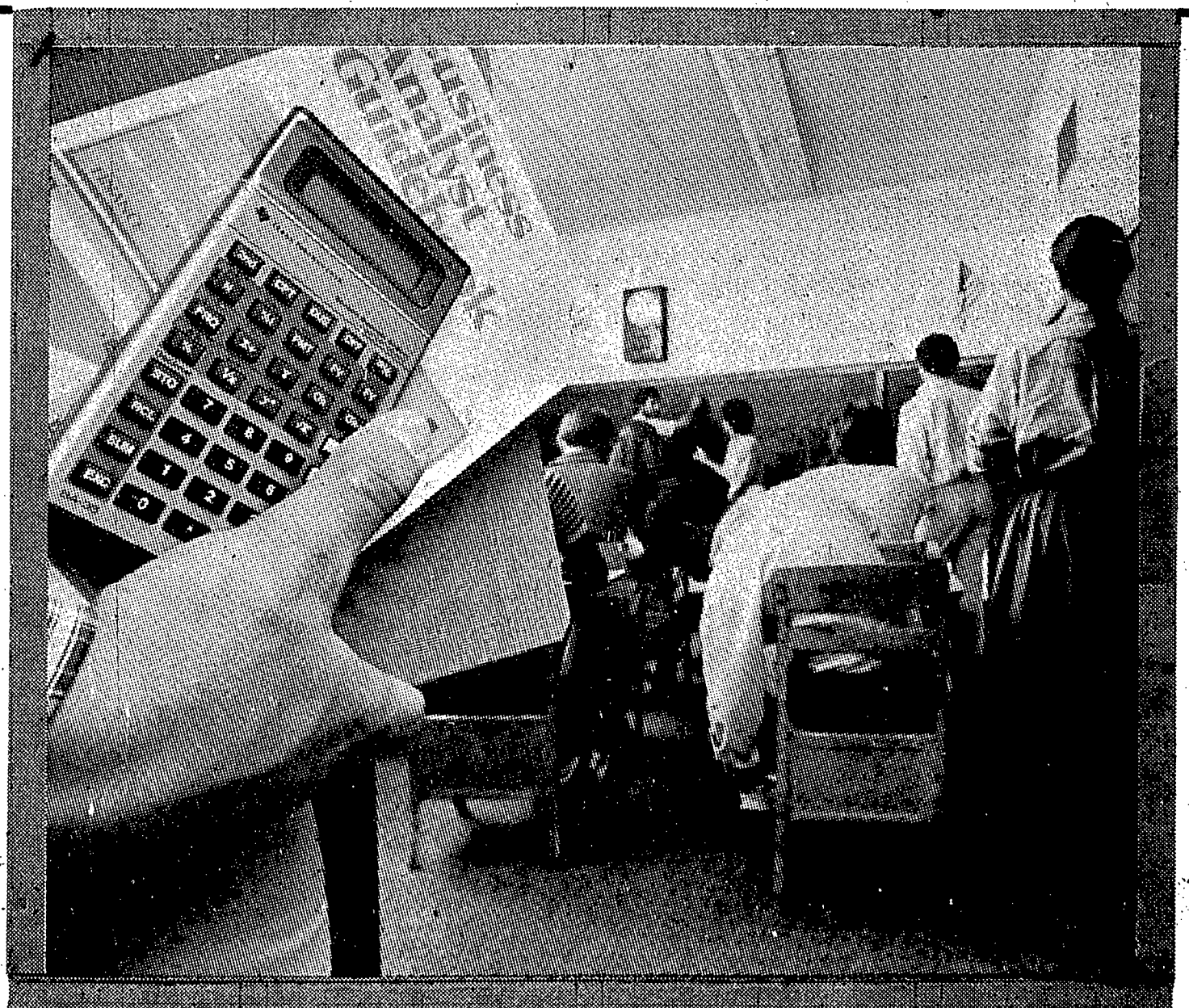
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Quinn paces Bearcats



Winning NWMSU players present the game football to President B.D. Owens following the Bearcats' win over Missouri Western. The co-captains are Steve Sevard, Brian Quinn, Brad Sullivan and Brian Heath. This marked the first NWMSU victory over MWSC in two years. (Photo courtesy of Dave Gieseke)

by Jim Burroughs

Senior quarterback Brian Quinn, having by far his best game as a collegiate, passed for two touchdowns, leading the Bearcats to a 19-9 victory over Missouri Western Saturday at St. Joseph, Mo. Quinn completed 16 of 31 passes for 199 yards with one interception.

Only 10 points were scored the entire first half. It was not until 1:49 left in the first quarter that there was a score; a 43-yard field goal by Eric Bruder that put Mo West on top, 3-0.

Both teams displayed a mighty defense, but it was the Bearcats who were able to penetrate the end zone first. With 5:10 left in the second quarter, Quinn connected with Bryan Shaw on a pass-play covering 27 yards. Steve Sestak's conversion enabled the Bearcats to take a 7-3 lead into halftime.

When the third quarter started, so did the defensive battle. Both teams were held scoreless, and it looked like the fourth quarter would be a repeat performance.

Quinn, having the kind of game young athletes dream of, had other ideas. He marched his team downfield and hit Keith Nelson in the endzone with a nine-yard pass. Sestak's conversion failed, but the Bearcats led 13-3 with 14:33 left in the game.

Fired up from his two previous touchdowns, Quinn marched his team downfield again, trying to add another score for insurance. He did so and running back Dale DeBourge ended the drive with a one-yard scoring bolt. The try for the two-point conversion failed. With the score 19-3 midway through the fourth quarter, what could happen?

In a matter of seconds, the Bearcats were wondering what stunned them. Mo West's Jeff Rolland took the preceding kickoff and rambled 90 yards for a touchdown. Mo West's attempt for a two-point conversion failed. Both defenses again rose to the occasion for the rest of the game, and the Bearcats found themselves ten point winners.

As said before, Quinn had an outstanding game. Anchoring the offense, Quinn led the Bearcats to 20 first downs and 308 total yards. Quinn was also the leading rusher for the Bearcats, carrying 15 times for 30 yards. Ivory Griffin, who has been the leading rusher gaining over 100 yards in the two previous games, gained 24 yards on 13 carries.

"Everybody was keying on Ivory just like we were keying on Mr. Holland [Jeff Holland] their great runningback," said Thomsen. "They shut Ivory down and we shut down Holland. We are in a very lucky

situation that we had another good tailback in Dale DeBourge. He is a different type of runner than Griffin."

Nelson also had a good day for the Bearcats. He had 10 receptions for 123 yards, including his touchdown. This has been his best performance since transferring over from Arizona Western Junior College. Shaw also had a successful day as he hauled in two passes for 37 yards including his touchdown.

The Bearcat defense had one of their best outings of the season. Against Mo West the defense allowed nine first downs and 162 yards total offense with 64 by rushing and 98 passing. Linebacker Steve Savard had nine tackles while linebackers Brad Sullivan and Kevin Corless each had eight.

In the secondary, defensive back Mike Rivers had two interceptions while defensive backs Pete Barrett and Mike Martin each had one. Defensive tackle Tony Coleman recovered a fumble.

"I think the big turnaround was that the athletes played with a lot of intensity which we did not have against Pittsburg State," said Coach Vern Thomsen. "Defensively our kids played well. It was not a matter of having ability before; it was a matter of them being intense."

Pittsburg State defeats Bearcats despite Griffin's efforts

by Jim Burroughs

Despite the efforts of one Irin "Ivory" Griffin, the Bearcats came up on the short end of a 28-7 score against Pittsburg State University Sept. 10 at Pittsburg, Ks. For the second straight week, Griffin had rushed for over 100 yards.

PSU started the game on a drive downfield that eventually led them into the end zone. The score came on Steve Dickey's pass to Bill Mounkes

covering 31 yards. The kick by Dave Hammons put PSU on top 7-0.

The Bearcats started their possession on the 19-yard line after receiving the kickoff. The Bearcats called a draw play with the ball going to Griffin. A big hole was opened up by the offensive line and Griffin went through it, 81 yards for a Bearcat touchdown. Steve Sestak's point tied the score 7-7.

PSU got back the touchdown it had surrendered earlier when Steve Siebuhr scored from the 1-yard line.

The point was good, giving PSU a 14-7 lead that stretched into halftime.

Only two scores were recorded in the second half and both belonged to PSU. The first scoring play was in the third quarter with a Willie Brown pass reception to Mike Smith covering nine yards. The other was a Dickey pass of 36 yards to Siebuhr. Both kicks were good by Hammon, to give PSU a decisive 28-7 win.

With back to back 100 yard rushing performances, Griffin has

put his name in the Northwest record book. The only other Northwest player in recent years to gain over 100 yards in two consecutive games was Don Lott in 1979. Against PSU Griffin rushed 17 times for 160 yards, half of which came on a spectacular touchdown run in the first quarter. In the first two games alone, Griffin has rushed 34 times for 292 yards. That averages out to 8.6 yards a carry and 146 yards a game. The second-leading Bearcat rusher is quarterback Brian Quinn, who has carried the ball 14 times for 37 yards.

"If Griffin does not get blocking, he does not run," said Coach Vern Thomsen. "You cannot run when you do not get blocking. Sure Griffin gets the stats, but the offensive linemen are the ones that provide the holes. Griffin is a great running back. There is no question about that, but he has got some excellent blocking too," Thomsen said.

The Bearcat passing game was not as sharp as it was against Morningside. Quinn completed only six of 17 passes for 94 yards with four in-

terceptions. Doug Ruse completed three of ten passes for 31 yards. The Bearcats' completed only ten of 28 passes for 125, while the combined rushing and passing yardage for Northwest was 287 yards to 539 yards by PSU. When a team is allowed to gain that many yards Thomsen said there must be a communication problem.

"We cannot make excuses," said Thomsen. "We had a chance to win the ballgame but we did not do it because of the turnovers and because we could not stop them on defense."

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